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The press office of the Ministerpresident in East Germany which was located in rooms of the Amt fuer Information (AFI) at 8/9 Thaelmannplatz was headed by Kurt Blecha who had been section chief in the AFI press department. Kopietz (fnu) who had been chief of the studies section in the AFI was deputy chief of the press office. Liesbeth Roesler was secretary. 25X1

the press office would probably not be transferred to another location. Albert Norden, who had been chief of the AFI press department, wished to work as private writer, no 25X1

decision had yet been made on his future assignment.

Comment. The studies section was charged with the processing of information pertaining to Germany. No details on Kopietz are available. It is possible, though not confirmed, that Albert Norden did not wish to be charged with official functions because of his Jewish descent, which, in a number of instances, has given occasion for discrimination in the eastern-bloc countries. 25X1

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